GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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FIRE IN BDL
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Missile Production in Bharat Dynamics Limited (BDL) at Kanchanbagh in Hyderabad has been badly affected due to fire mishap in January, 2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the total loss suffered by BDL therein;

(d) the total production in percentage suffered due to fire; and

(e) the efforts being made by the Government to gain speed in production at BDL?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES)

(a) to (e): The production of Missiles during 2000-2001 was affected by 20% due to the fire mishap. The loss of `stock in process` and fully finished missiles has been to the extent of Rs. 20.77 crores. An amount of Rs. 91 lakhs has been incurred towards cost of repair of building and repairs/replacement of plant and machinery. Production facilities were restored by April 2001. Full scale production of the Missiles has commenced and it is targeted to make good the loss in production during the current year.